NOTICE OF AWARD

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Request for Proposal (RFP) STAGEnet Transport Services RFP Number 112-0502 was issued by the Information Technology Department of the State of North Dakota on July 8, 2005.

The following vendor submitted a proposal in response to the RFP for the Backbone and Access sections:

Dakota Carrier Network P.O. Box 2484 Fargo, ND 58108

An alternate procurement form was submitted and approved. We announce our award to **Dakota Carrier Network**.

The successful Offeror is instructed not to begin work, purchase materials, or enter into subcontracts relating to the project until both the recipient and the State sign the contract.

On behalf of the Information Technology Department, thank you for your efforts in preparing a proposal in response to this solicitation. We appreciate your interest in doing business with the State of North Dakota, and your company will remain on our Offerors list for any future solicitations of a similar nature.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (701) 328-1002.

Sincerely,

Brandy Peterson

Procurement Officer